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January 7, 2009

Mr. Bill Ryan
US EPA Region X
1200 Sixth Avenue – ECL-113
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: December 2008 Monthly
Report

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This letter serves as the monthly progress report for December 2008, in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 29 of the RD/RA Consent Decree for the Tronox site, in Soda Springs, Idaho.

December Activities

The calcine cap and landfill facilities were snow covered and inaccessible in December. The gates on both facilities are closed and locked and the fences are in good condition.

The 10-acre pond was inspected and the water level was measured. The 10-acre pond contains about 8 inches of water on the south end. During the month of December, the snow fence trapped blowing snow and prevented drifting snow from entering into the 10-acre pond.

Work continued on the draft remedy evaluation report and on the development of the DQO in December. The DQO were approved by you at the very end of December. These DQO will be added to the revised draft Addendum 1 work plan.

The annual comprehensive ground water report was transmitted to you on December 4, 2008. This report provided an interpretation of ground and surface water results through May 2008.

January/February 2009 Activities

During the months of January and February, Tronox will continue to monitor the cap, landfill and the 10-acre pond, weather permitting. Tronox will provide EPA with agreed-upon changes to the revised draft work plan that will include the DQO planning evaluation suggested by EPA. It is contemplated that the third revision of the Addendum 1 work plan will be completed and transmitted to EPA in January 2009. During February 2009, it is anticipated that the draft remedy evaluation report will be completed, depending on the timing of the approval of the work plan.

No community relation activities are planned for this period.

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Problems or Delays

No delays are expected.

If you have any questions about the work or additional information is required with regards to the work described above, please contact me at (208) 547-3331, extension 233, or (b) (6) (cell).

Sincerely,
Tronox Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Boyd Schvaneveldt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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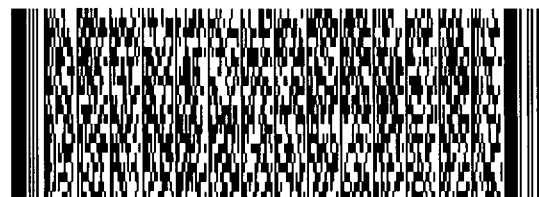
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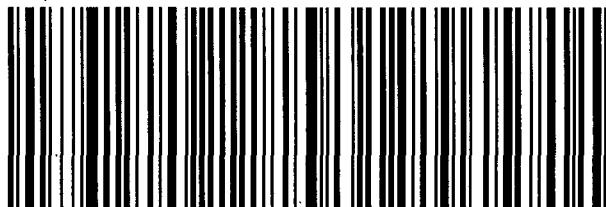


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